

**ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**  
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No 576/3/2008 SDR

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To

The Chief Electoral officers of  
All states and Union Territories.

**Subj: Instructions regarding underlining of entries in the marked copy of the electoral roll in respect of those electors who cast their vote-Revised procedure in the case of photo electoral roll constituencies- regarding.**

Sir/Madam,

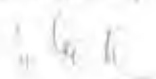
There are instructions in the Handbook for Returning Officers and the Handbook for Presiding Officers that when an elector has been allowed to vote, the entries relating to his name should be underlined in the marked copy of the electoral roll to ensure that such voter does not vote again should he/she come again for voting. These instructions were framed in the context of the non-photo electoral roll where each page of the electoral roll contains only one column of names of electors and the other columns in the page relate to other particulars of the elector.

In the case of the photo electoral rolls (PER) : each page of the electoral roll contains 3 or 4 columns of boxes, each box containing details relating to individual electors. Underlining the entries is not considered convenient in the case of PER constituencies. Therefore, the Commission has directed that in the case of PER constituencies, when an elector is allowed to cast vote at the polling station, a line will be drawn, in red ink, diagonally across the box containing the particulars pertaining to that elector in the marked copy of the PER. Further, for easy verification and calculation of

number of male and female voters, the serial number of the voter will be rounded off in the case of female voters. A sample page is enclosed for reference.

These instructions may be brought to the notice of all election authorities concerned. The polling personnel should be briefed about this procedure at the having clauses conducted for them.

Yours faithfully,



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SECRETARY

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